## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
- 2 immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VII of
- 3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.
- 4 SECTION 2. The State of Hawaii is involved in several
- 5 major lawsuits that could result in costly judgments against the
- 6 State if not vigorously defended. These major lawsuits will
- 7 require the State to retain expert witnesses and expert counsel.
- 8 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,000,000, or so
- 10 much thereof as may be necessary, for fiscal year 2014-2015 to
- 11 be used by the department of the attorney general in major
- 12 litigation involving the State.
- 13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 14 the attorney general for the purposes of this Act.
- 15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

## Report Title:

Department of the Attorney General; Emergency Appropriation

## Description:

Makes an emergency appropriation to the Department of the Attorney General for retention of expert witnesses and specialized legal counsel in major litigation against the State of Hawaii. (CD1)

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